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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of : Pfaffman et al.

For : IMPROVED METHOD OF FORMING A  
TUBULAR BLANK INTO A  
STRUCTURAL COMPONENT AND  
DIE THEREFOR

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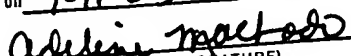
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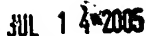
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